REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 3, 2006. In view of the foregoing

amendments and following representations, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the previous Office Action, claims 1-10 were allowed, and claims 11-12 were rejected

over the prior art. Accordingly, by the above amendment, claims 11-12 have been cancelled.

Since there are no further amendments remaining, it is submitted that the present

application is now clearly in condition for allowance. The Examiner therefore is requested to

enter the above amendment, and pass this case to issue.

In the event that the Examiner has any comments or suggestions of a nature necessary to

place this case in condition for allowance, then the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's

undersigned attorney by telephone to promptly resolve any remaining matters.

Respectfully submitted,

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